With regard to the widening of the Karali road, if you are not satisfied with the opinion of Government, that it is not a road of sufficient importance requiring the construction of the parapet walls, I have no objection to refer it to the Road Board.

The opening of an evening market at Vallakadavu is a matter for the Municipality. You may send up this case to the Municipality. Government cannot do anything in the matter.

You referred to a waiting shed for the Vakils. That is a matter which goes along with the construction of buildings for the District and Munsiffs' Courts, about which I have replied to a previous representation.

About points 4, 6 and 7, I have only to refer you to my answer to previous representations.

Then about the last point *i. e.*, the throwing open the Railway *satram* to all classes of people, you seem to labour under a mistaken idea that it is a Government *satram*. In fact it is not. The *satram* was opened out of private funds for the exclusive benefit of certain classes of people. Consequently, Government cannot interfere in that matter.

82. Needs of the Nedumangad taluk.

MR. M. SUBRAHMANYA PILLAI (*Nedumangad taluk*) spoke about the hardship, inconvenience and loss which the people of Nedumangad were put to on account of the fact that the local Munsiff had to function as a Magistrate also. The first one or one and a half hours every day used to be devoted to the disposal of criminal work. But when he began to attend to civil cases, he was invariably interrupted for taking down dying declarations or remanding persons to custody or some such item of criminal work. The parties and witnesses in civil cases summoned could not therefore be examined in time, with the result that the duration of pendency of cases and their arrears were increasing year by year. There was delay in the disposal of criminal cases also. The Munsiff-Magistrate and the District Magistrate had, in view of the above facts, recommended the appointment of 2nd Class Magistrate at Nedumangad and the member for that taluk had also pressed the matter at the previous session of the Assembly. The member, therefore, suggested that the Tahsildar be invested with 2nd Class Magisterial powers as was done prior to the opening of the Munsiff's Court. The Tahsildar could find sufficient time to devote to criminal work also besides his revenue work. There was no objection to the Munsiff exercising 1st Class Magisterial powers.

The court room in the Munsiff's Court buildings was very near the road and the local Girls' School. The noise produced in the school and the road on account of the heavy traffic was a nuisance to the court house. A separate building should therefore be put up for holding the court, a little to the west of the existing court room.

The premises of the local Girls' School had only a small extent of about 14 cents. Further, the compound was bounded by a road on one

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side and public offices and high buildings on the other sides. There was no privacy anywhere and no place to be used as a urinal, and the pupils and teachers were therefore put to much hardship and inconvenience. The Girls' School should therefore be shifted from its existing site to a new building to be put up on the vacant site on the western side of the English School.

The class rooms in the local Higher Grade Vernacular School for boys were too small to hold the classes and consequently the rooms were over-crowded. Additional buildings should therefore be put up. If the closed records room be provided with doors and windows and the records removed to the hall, additional room could be made available without much cost.

DEWAN'S REPLY: Mr. Subrahmanya Pillai, നിങ്ങളുടെ നിവേദനത്തിൽ കോടതികളിൽ ഇപ്പോൾ ഉണ്ടാകുന്ന കേസുകളുടെ കാലതാമസത്തെപ്പറ്റിപറഞ്ഞു. അതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു വിചാരണ നടത്തി കോടതികളുടെ അത്യുത്തിയും മറ്റും ശരിയായവിധം നിശ്ചയിച്ചു തീരുമാനപ്പെടുത്തുന്നതിനു ഒരു ആഫീസറെ നിയമിക്കാൻ പോകുന്നു. ആഫീസറെ നിയമിച്ചാൽ നിങ്ങളുടെ നിവേദനവും അവിടെ അയച്ചുകൊടുക്കാം.

തഹശീൽദാർക്കു മജിസ്ട്രേട്ട അധികാരംകൂടി കൊടുക്കുന്നതായാൽ വളരെ എളുപ്പമായിരിക്കുമെന്നു പറഞ്ഞു. അതിൽ ഒരു സംഗതിപറയാനുണ്ട്. തഹശീൽദാരന്മാർക്ക് മജിസ്ട്രേട്ടധികാരം കൊടുക്കുന്നതിനെസംബന്ധിച്ചു ജനങ്ങളുടെ ഇടയിൽ അഭിപ്രായവ്യത്യാസം കാണുന്നു. നിയമ നിർമ്മാണസഭയുടെ അഭിപ്രായം അതിനു വിപരീതമാണു. അതുകൊണ്ട് ആ സംഗതിക്കുടിഗൌനിക്കേണ്ടതാണ്.

MEMBER: തൽക്കാലം ആ അധികാരം കൊടുത്തിട്ടു കേസുകൾ കുറെതീർന്നശേഷം എടുത്തുകളഞ്ഞാലും തരക്കേടില്ല.

DEWAN: പിന്നെ, പെൺപള്ളിക്കുടം ഇപ്പോഴിരിക്കുന്ന സ്ഥലത്തു നിന്നും മാറണമെന്നു പറഞ്ഞു. അതിലേക്കു ഒരുസ്ഥലം ഇപ്പോൾ അന്വേഷിച്ചു വരികയാണ്.

[Your representation relating to the delay in the disposal of cases in courts will be referred to the Law's Delays Officer who will shortly be appointed.

In regard to the proposal to invest Tahsildars with magisterial powers, public opinion is not unanimous. The Legisative Council is not in favour of it.

As for the removal of the Girls' School from its present location, the authorities are on the look-out for a proper site.]

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